GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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PERIPHERAL DEVELOPMENT BY STEEL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that certain steel plants set up in the private sector in Orissa are not paying attention for the peripheral development of the areas where they are located;

(b) if so, whether they are not even contributing any thing to the State towards the renovation, repair and maintenance of the roads which are damaged by a plying of the trucks meant for supply of the raw materials to these steel plants;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to make it mandatory for the steel plants coming up there to develop the roads?

Answer

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a)&(b): All the companies putting up steel plants in the private sector are persuaded to take up peripheral development of the areas where the projects are being set up.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a)&(b) above.

(d) Specific provision has been made in the Memorandum of Understatings indicating that the companies will comply with all applicable laws and policies of the Government of India and the State of Orissa including more specifically those relating to environment and socio-economic development in the periphery of the project.